

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Akihiko SHIMASAKI et al.

Application No.: 10/810,706

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Art Unit: 1762

For: METAL COATING METHOD EXCELLENT  
IN CORROSION RESISTANCE AND  

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ARTICLE COATED THEREWITH

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Examiner: Erma C. Cameron

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.